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Qafesona

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Name: **Qafesona**

Type: Fusional

Alignment: Nominative-accusative

Head Direction: Initial

Number of genders: 1

Declensions: Yes

Conjugations: Yes

Nouns declined according to	
Case	Number
Definitiveness	Gender
Verbs conjugated according to	
Voice	Mood
Person	Number
Tense	Aspect

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General information

The Qafesona language (Qafesona: Cyrillic: *ҟафесона тил*, Latin: *qafesona til*, IPA: [ˈqafɛˌsonə ˈcil]) is a small language isolate within the Slavic language. It is spoken on both sides of Georgia's borders with Armenia, Azerbaijan and Russia (specifically Dagestan, Chechnya, Ingushetia and North Ossetia-Alania) and the vast majority of the language's vocabulary is of Slavic origin. However, there is also a substantial amount of words which are of clear Armenian and Georgian origin. In addition to this there are a few words that have come from Arabic and the Turkic languages. For example, "*ҟаўа*" ("*qawa*", "coffee") is from Arabic and "*тил*" ("*til*", "language") comes from Old Turkic.

Phonology and orthography

See also: IPA for Qafesona and Georgian and Armenian alphabets for Qafesona

Alphabet

- Qafesona Cyrillic alphabet; Ҟафесона кирилличи алфавит; Qafesona kirilliči alfavit; ყატჷესონა კირილლიჭი ალტავიტ; Քաֆեսօնա կիռիլիճի ալֆավիթ; [ˈqafɛˌsonə kiˈriʎiˌt͡ɕi ˌɐɬfəˈvit]

The Qafesona Cyrillic alphabet is the writing system that is usually used to write Qafesona, however both Georgian and Armenian may also be used. The Cyrillic alphabet shown below was codified in 1955, prior to which Qafesona had no

official writing system.

Cyrillic	А а	Б б	В в	Г г	Д д	Е е	Ж ж	
Latin	A a	B b	V v	G g	D d	E e	Ž ž	
IPA	[a], [ɐ], [ə]	[b]	[v]	[g]	[d]	[e], [ɛ], [ə]	[ʐ]	

Cyrillic	З з	И и	Й й	К к	Ҟ ҟ	Л л	М м	
Latin	DZ dz	I i	J j	K k	Q q	L l	M m	
IPA	[d͡z]	[i], [ɪ]	[j]	[k]	[q]	[l], [ɬ]	[m]	

Cyrillic	О о	П п	Р р	С с	Т т	У у	Ў ў	
Latin	O o	P p	R r	S s	T t	U u	W w	
IPA	[ɔ], [o], [ə]	[p]	[r]	[s]	[t]	[u], [ʊ]	[w]	

Cyrillic	Х х	Ҳ ҳ	Ц ц	Ч ч	Џ џ	Ш ш	Ы ы	
Latin	Ȟ ȟ	H h	C c	Č č	DŽ dž	Š š	Y y	
IPA	[x]	[h], [ɦ]	[t͡s]	[t͡ʂ]	[ɖ͡ʐ]	[ʂ]	[ɨ]	

Diphthongs

There are seven diphthongs in Qafesona.

Cyrillic	АЙ ай	АУ ау	ЕЙ ей	ЕУ еу	ОЙ ой	ОУ оу	УЙ уй

Latin	AJ aj	AU au	EJ ej	EU eu	OJ oj	OU ou	UJ uj
IPA	[aɪ̯]	[aʊ̯]	[eɪ̯]	[eʊ̯]	[oɪ̯]	[oʊ̯]	[uɪ̯]

Digraphs

The digraphs below alter the pronunciation of the constituent letters.

Cyrillic	ДИ ди	ДЬ дь	ЖЖ жж	ЖИ жи	ЖЬ жь	ЛИ ли	ЛЬ ль	НИ ни
Latin	DI di	DĬ dĭ	ŽŽ žž	ŽI ži	ŽĬ žĭ	LI li	LĬ lĭ	NI ni
IPA	[ʄi]	[ʄ]	[ʑː]	[ʑi]	[ʑ]	[ʎi]	[ʎ]	[ɲi]

Cyrillic	ТИ ти	ТЬ ть	ЧИ чи	ЧЬ чь	ЏИ џи	ЏЬ џь	ШШ шш	ШИ ши
Latin	TI ti	TĬ tĭ	ČI či	ČĬ čĭ	DŽI dži	DŽĬ džĭ	ŠŠ šš	ŠI ši
IPA	[ci]	[c]	[t͡ɕi]	[t͡ɕ]	[d͡ʑi]	[d͡ʑ]	[ɕː]	[ɕi]

Nota bene

- Qafesona has a spelling rule which states that *ы* may not be preceded by *г*, *ж*, *к*, *ӷ*, *х*, *ч*, *џ* or *ш*, instead the letter *и* is used.
- There is also a spelling rule stating that *ь* may not precede *ы*, the letter *и* is used here instead too.
- Nor may *ь* precede *ӑ*, the letter *ӑ* is simply used here (rather than *ьӑ*).

Grammar

Nouns

First declension

First declension nouns end in a consonant (but not ь, *ŭ*, *ў* or *ӯ*) and decline as below:

	Singular	Paucal	Plural
Nominative	**лес** (forest)	**леса**	**лесы**
Accusative	**лес**	**леса**	**лесы**
Genitive	**леса**	**лесу**	**лесах**
Dative	**лесу**	**лесома**	**лесам**
Instrumental	**лесом**	**лесомы**	**лесамы**
Locative	**лесье**	**лесьу**	**лесьех**
Vocative	**лесь**	**лесы**	**лесых**

Second declension

Second declension nouns end in *а* and decline as below:

	Singular	Paucal	Plural
Nominative	**чава** (grass)	**чаве**	**чавы**
Accusative	**чаву**	**чаво**	**чавы**
Genitive	**чавы**	**чаву**	**чав**
Dative	**чаве**	**чавама**	**чавам**
Instrumental	**чавой**	**чавамы**	**чавамы**
Locative	**чавье**	**чавьу**	**чавьех**
Vocative	**чавы**	**чави**	**чавих**

Third declension

Third declension nouns end in *е* or *о* and decline as below:

	Singular	Paucal	Plural
Nominative	**мазо** (meat)	**мазое**	**маза**
Accusative	**мазо**	**мазое**	**маза**
Genitive	**маза**	**мазу**	**маз**
Dative	**мазу**	**мазема**	**мазом**
Instrumental	**маз**	**маземы**	**мазомы**

Locative	**мазье**	**мазьу**	**мазьех**
Vocative	**мазь**	**мазы**	**мазых**

Fourth declension

Fourth declension nouns end in ь and decline as below:

	Singular	Paucal	Plural
Nominative	**гонь** (leg)	**гоньа**	**гони**
Accusative	**гонь**	**гоньа**	**гони**
Genitive	**гоньа**	**гоньу**	**гоньах**
Dative	**гоньу**	**гоньома**	**гоньам**
Instrumental	**гоньом**	**гоньомы**	**гоньамы**
Locative	**гонйе**	**гонйу**	**гонйех**
Vocative	**гоны**	**гони**	**гоних**

Fifth declension

Fifth declension nouns end in *ŭ*, *ў* or *ӯ* and decline as below:

	Singular	Paucal	Plural
Nominative	**чай** (tea)	**чайи**	**чайи**
Accusative	**чай**	**чайи**	**чайи**
Genitive	**чайа**	**чайих**	**чайих**
Dative	**чайу**	**чайем**	**чайам**
Instrumental	**чай**	**чайемы**	**чайамы**
Locative	**чайе**	**чайу**	**чайех**
Vocative	**чайи**	**чайих**	**чайих**

Sixth declension

Sixth declension nouns end in *мьа* and decline as below:

	Singular	Paucal	Plural
Nominative	**йемьа** (name)	**йемье**	**йемьени**
Accusative	**йемьа**	**йемье**	**йемьени**

Genitive	**йемьень**	**йемьени**	**йемь**
Dative	**йемье**	**йемьом**	**йемьам**
Instrumental	**йемьей**	**йемьомы**	**йемьамы**
Locative	**йемйе**	**йемйу**	**йемйех**
Vocative	**йеми**	**йемйи**	**йемйих**

Seventh declension

Seventh declension nouns end in *и*, *у* or *ы*, are foreign and decline as below:

	Singular	Paucal	Plural
Nominative	**такси** (taxi)	**такси**	**таксих**
Accusative	**такси**	**такси**	**таксих**
Genitive	**таксийа**	**таксийа**	**таксийах**
Dative	**таксийу**	**таксийу**	**таксийух**
Instrumental	**таксийой**	**таксийо**	**таксийох**
Locative	**таксийе**	**таксийе**	**таксийех**
Vocative	**такси**	**такси**	**таксих**

Diminutives

Diminutives

Augmentatives

Augmentatives

Adjectives

Hard declension

	Singular	Paucal	Plural
Nominative	**новы** (new)	**нова**	**нове**
Accusative	**новы, новов**	**нова, новой**	**нове, новых**
Genitive	**новов**	**новой**	**новых**
Dative	**новом**	**нову**	**новым**
Instrumental	**новым**	**новом**	**новымы**

Locative	**новье**	**новьо**	**новьах**
Vocative	**нов**	**новы**	**новых**

Soft declension

	Singular	Paucal	Plural
Nominative	**сини** (dark blue)	**синьа**	**синье**
Accusative	**сини, синьов**	**синьа, синьой**	**синье, синих**
Genitive	**синьов**	**синьой**	**синих**
Dative	**синьом**	**синьу**	**синим**
Instrumental	**синим**	**синьом**	**синимы**
Locative	**синйе**	**синйо**	**синйах**
Vocative	**синь**	**сини**	**синих**

"A" declension

	Singular	Paucal	Plural
Nominative	**ԛафесона** (Qafesona)	**ԛафесоны**	**ԛафесоне**
Accusative	**ԛафесона, ԛафесонов**	**ԛафесоны, ԛафесоной**	**ԛафесоне, ԛафесоных**
Genitive	**ԛафесонов**	**ԛафесоной**	**ԛафесоных**
Dative	**ԛафесоном**	**ԛафесону**	**ԛафесоным**
Instrumental	**ԛафесоным**	**ԛафесоном**	**ԛафесонымы**
Locative	**ԛафесонье**	**ԛафесоньо**	**ԛафесоньах**
Vocative	**ԛафесонь**	**ԛафесоны**	**ԛафесоных**

Personal pronouns

Singular

	1st person	2nd person	3rd p (m)	3rd p (f)	3rd p (n)
Nominative	**йа**	**ты**	**он**	**она**	**оно**

Accusative	**мньа**	**тебьа**	**йеҳо**	**йой**	**йеҳо**
Genitive	**мньа**	**тебьа**	**йеҳо**	**йой**	**йеҳо**
Instrumental	**мньа**	**тебьа**	**йеҳым**	**йойу**	**йеҳым**
Dative	**мнье**	**тебье**	**йему**	**йей**	**йему**
Locative	**мнйе**	**тебйе**	**йем**	**йей**	**йем**
Vocative	**ми**	**теби**	**йемь**	**йейи**	**йемь**

Plural

	1st person	2nd person	3rd person
Nominative	**мы**	**вы**	**оны**
Accusative	**наз**	**ваз**	**ых**
Genitive	**наз**	**ваз**	**ых**
Dative	**нам**	**вам**	**ым**
Instrumental	**намы**	**вамы**	**ымы**
Locative	**назье**	**вазье**	**ымье**
Vocative	**нйи**	**вйи**	**еми**

Verbs

- There are two aspects, the simple and the perfect.
- Conjugations are governed by three persons in two numbers and two simple tenses, present and past.
- There are present and past participles that are used as adjectives and adverbs.
- There are also periphrastic forms for the future tense and the subjunctive mood.
- There are two voices, the active and the passive.

Aspect

Qafesona has two aspects, the simple and the perfect. Verbs come in aspectual pairs, the perfect usually being the same as the simple just with an added prefix.

The simple aspect is not progressive and not perfect, whereas the the perfect aspect is perfect. For example, the English simple present "I play", simple past "I played" and simple future "I will play" and the perfect present "I have eaten",

perfect past "I had eaten" and perfect future "I will have eaten", which all correspond to Qafesona verb tense and aspect.

Aspect in Qafesona differs from the usual Slavonic aspects of imperfective and perfective pairs. However many of the perfect verbs have similar prefixes to the corresponding perfective verb.

Present tense

First conjugation

First conjugation verbs have the ending -***ать*** or -***еть***.

	Simple	Perfect
Infinitive	**читать** (to read)	**прочитать**
йа (1ps)	**читайу**	**прочитайу**
ты (2ps)	**читайеш**	**прочитайеш**
он, она, оно (3ps)	**читайет**	**прочитайет**
мы (1pp)	**читайем**	**прочитайем**
вы (2pp)	**читайете**	**прочитайете**
оны (3pp)	**читайут**	**прочитайут**

Second conjugation

Second conjugation verbs have the ending -***ить***.

	Simple	Perfect
Infinitive	**говорить** (to read)	**поговорить**
йа (1ps)	**говорьу**	**поговорьу**
ты (2ps)	**говорьеш**	**поговорьеш**
он, она, оно (3ps)	**говорьет**	**поговорьет**
мы (1pp)	**говорьем**	**поговорьем**
вы (2pp)	**говорьете**	**поговорьете**
оны (3pp)	**говорьут**	**поговорьут**

Third conjugation

Third conjugation verbs have the ending -***ачь*** or -***ечь***.

	Simple	Perfect

Infinitive	**давачь** (to give)	**дачь**
йа (1ps)	**давам**	**дам**
ты (2ps)	**даваш**	**даш**
он, она, оно (3ps)	**дават**	**даст**
мы (1pp)	**давйем**	**дайем**
вы (2pp)	**давйете**	**дайете**
оны (3pp)	**давйут**	**дайут**

Fourth conjugation

Fourth conjugation verbs have the ending -***ичь***.

	Simple	Perfect
Infinitive	**итичь** (to go (on foot))	**пойтичь**
йа (1ps)	**итьу**	**пойтьу**
ты (2ps)	**итьош**	**пойтьош**
он, она, оно (3ps)	**итьот**	**пойтьот**
мы (1pp)	**итьом**	**пойтьом**
вы (2pp)	**итьоте**	**пойтьоте**
оны (3pp)	**итьут**	**пойтьут**

Past tense

The past tense in Qafesona is formed very simply. The verb infinitive is taken and the final -***ть*** or -***чь*** is removed and replaced with -***в***. For example:

Simple infinitive	Simple past	Perfect infinitive	Perfect past
читать	**читав**	**прочитать**	**прочитав**
говорить	**говорив**	**поговорить**	**поговорив**
могечь (to be able to)	**могев**	**смогечь**	**смогев**
йешть (to eat)*	**йев**	**сешть**	**сешв**

*When an infinitive ends in a consonant + -***ть*** or -***чь*** then both the consonant and the infinitive ending are dropped and -***в*** added.

To be

The conjugation of the verb "to be", ***быть***, is shown below.

Present

	Simple	Perfect
Infinitive	**быть**	**сбыть**
йа (1ps)	**йесем**	**сесем**
ты (2ps)	**йесы**	**сесы**
он, она, оно (3ps)	**йесет**	**сесет**
мы (1pp)	**йесмы**	**сесмы**
вы (2pp)	**йесты**	**сесты**
оны (3pp)	**йесут**	**сесут**

Past

	Simple	Perfect
Past	**быв**	**сбыв**

Future

	Simple	Perfect
йа (1ps)	**бадьу**	**сбадьу**
ты (2ps)	**бадьеш**	**сбадьеш**
он, она, оно (3ps)	**бадьет**	**сбадьет**
мы (1pp)	**бадьем**	**сбадьем**
вы (2pp)	**бадьете**	**сбадьете**
оны (3pp)	**бадьут**	**сбадьут**

Future tense

The past tense is also formed very simply. It is formed by preceding the verb's infinitive with the correct conjugation of the future tense of ***быть***/***сбыть*** ("to be"), ***быть***/***сбыть*** are the only exceptions. For example:

- "They will be": **Оны бадьут.** (*Ony badĭut.*)
- "I will say": **Йа бадьу говорить.** (*Ja badĭu govoritĭ.*)
- "We will have read": **Мы бадьем прочитать** (*My badĭem pročitatĭ.*,

emphasis on the fact that it will have been read)
- "We will have read": **Мы сбадьем читать** (*My sbadʹem čitatʹ.*, emphasis on the fact that it will have been done)

Numerals

	Cardinal	Ordinal
One, 1	**йедь**	**йедми**
Two, 2	**два**	**втори**
Three, 3	**три**	**трети**
Four, 4	**четрь**	**четери**
Five, 5	**пьать**	**пьати**
Six, 6	**шесть**	**шести**
Seven, 7	**седь**	**седми**
Eight, 8	**вось**	**восми**
Nine, 9	**девть**	**девети**
Ten, 10	**цать**	**цати**
Zero, 0	**ноль**	**ноли**

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